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#### **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated October 6, 2006, please amend the aboveidentified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.